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ALL STARS
VS.
ALL VILLAINS

The Ultimate
LEGO Soccer Game

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THREE COUPONS
INSIDE!
SEE PAGES 3 AND 17

HEY, DID I
JUST SEE THE
MILLENNIUM
FALCON!?

YEAH, IT'S
FLYING TO
PAGE 10. LET'S
GO CHECK IT
OUT!

LEGO[®] SOCCER
IT KICKS!



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Get a KICK out

MEET THE PLAYERS



**Chip
Kicker**

Chip is the leading scorer and captain of his team. His best kick is his chip shot that floats over a goalie's head and into the goal. He set the Shoot 'n Score record by shooting 100 balls and scoring 1,000 points—with his eyes closed!



**Tony
Terminator**

Tony the Terminator stops everything from coming into his goal. Even his own teammates are afraid to get too close to the net. Tony is best at making saves by jumping up and blocking the ball with his arms or sometimes his head.



**Matt
Striker**

Matt is an all-star forward who plays soccer all over the world. He can pass, dribble, and shoot with either foot. Ian once nutmegged (dribbling the ball between a defender's legs) three defenders in one match.



**Jose
Hammer**

Jose the Hammer is one of the world's most athletic goalkeepers. He twists and dives after every shot like a kite in a tornado. He once blocked a shot by hammering it completely out of the stadium.



**3411
American Team Bus**

The bus takes your team to the match in style. Just toss the ball on the roof and hop in the back. Includes a size 1 LEGO Soccer ball! (available at stores in August)



**3409
Championship
Challenge**

Let the games begin with all the fast-moving excitement of real soccer! It's your field, and you can build it long and narrow, short and wide, or any way you want. Are you good enough to score against the other team's goalie? Press your luck and give it a shot!



The goalie dives to make an awesome save.



Pull back and kick action!

of LEGO® SOCCER!



3402
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with Lights

Adjustable
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Walk through the gate and you're in. This place has it all. Check out the cool press box and TV team. The cameraman gets right on top of the action. If a player is hurt, wheel him into the trainer's room for an X-ray and get back onto the field.

3403
Fans Grandstand
with Scoreboard

WOO HOO!



The excitement is building as the fans fill the grandstand! Fans can stand and cheer, wave pennants or do the wave!

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BUILDING CONTEST

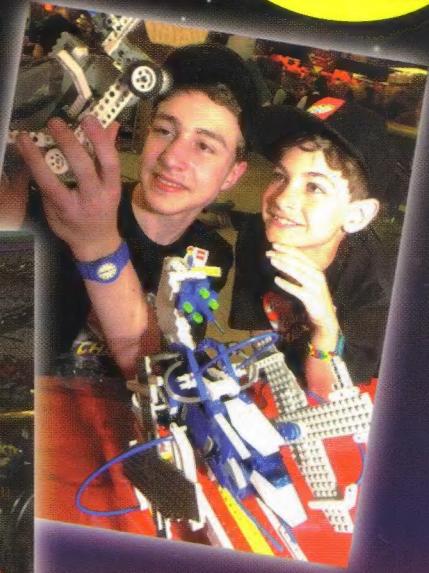
Congratulations!

Following an exhilarating two-hour build-off, **David Michon** age nine, of California and **John Lavery** age 16, of Ohio were crowned LEGO® Champions at the LEGO Star Wars Galactic Challenge national finals. David and John were selected from six U.S. semi-finalists who each had two hours to build their vision of what life would be like in the next millennium.

Check out page 13 for the models of the six semi-finalists.

David's model, self-titled, "Cosmic Prospector," is a "photon propelled" space ship that searches for mineral resources.

John's creation, called "Bug Sucker," is a motorized farmer's machine that sucks up insects, which prevents the use of harmful insecticides.

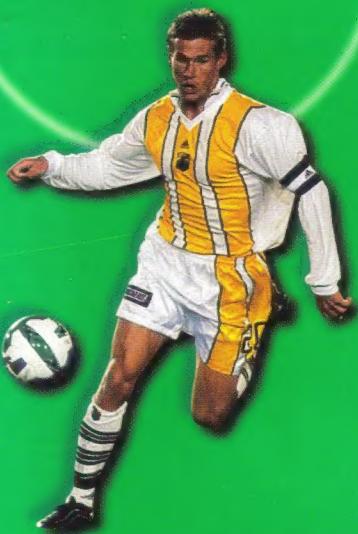


What's next for the two U.S. Champs?

Cheer them on next fall as they go to **LEGOLAND® California** to represent the U.S. in the **LEGO World Championship**. They will compete against finalists from 15 countries. Only two winners will be crowned "Best Builder in the Galaxy" and receive the Grand Prize - a trip to Denmark, home to LEGO headquarters, and a life-size LEGO Star Wars model autographed by *Star Wars* creator George Lucas!



LEGOLAND®
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#20 Brian McBride

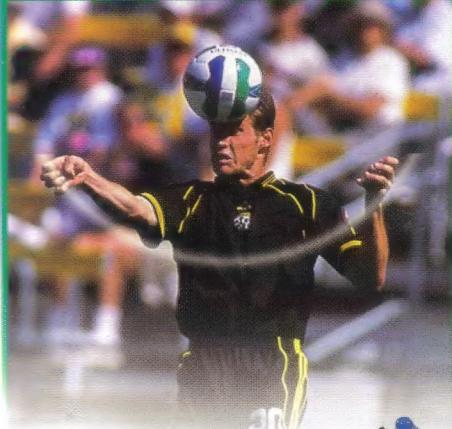
MLS Team: **Columbus Crew**

Position: **Forward**

Age: **27**

Career Highlights:

- **Columbus Crew's all-time leading scorer.**
- **Four-time MLS All-Star**
- **Played with U.S. National Teams as well as teams all around the world.**



Shoot and Score with Brian McBride!

What do you think of the new LEGO® Soccer #3409 Championship Challenge?

"The game looks great. It's fast moving. The players spin around, and you can change from offense to defense quickly just like in a real game."

When did you start playing soccer?

"When I was 8 years old. I would play before school, during recess, and after school. And if I wasn't practicing soccer, I was playing baseball or football. When I was 8, I also began playing for a park district team, the Arlington Aces. I played for the Aces until I was 19."

How did you practice shooting as a kid?

"You don't always need a goal to kick into. I would kick against a brick wall at school. There was a baseball strike zone painted on the wall and I would aim for that." A fence was another favorite target of Brian's. "I would go out early in the

morning and kick against a chain link fence. The noise would wake up our neighbors." That fence is still bent today from all of Brian's kicks!

How do you make those exciting shots that we see on television?

Brian has had many highlight-film goals with the Crew. He once took the ball off a 70-yard punt, headed it to himself, and hit a left-footed full-volley into the corner of the net. But he doesn't plan those kinds of shots. "You just take what the goalkeeper gives you."

How can I be a better player?

"Have fun and enjoy playing. That's how you learn and get better. I'm still learning and trying to improve."

Brian as a brickhead. You can see this and other cool LEGO models at the LEGO®/MLS® Soccer Experience Tour.
See page 16 for more details

Create your own LEGO Soccer Super Stadium.



The Adventures of the LEGO Maniac

The Championship Challenge

SOCER CHANNEL

TALK ABOUT A BIRDS-EYE VIEW!

THE LEGO CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGE IS ABOUT TO KICK OFF. IT'S THE SOCCER ALL-STARS VERSUS THE ALL-VILLAIN TEAM.

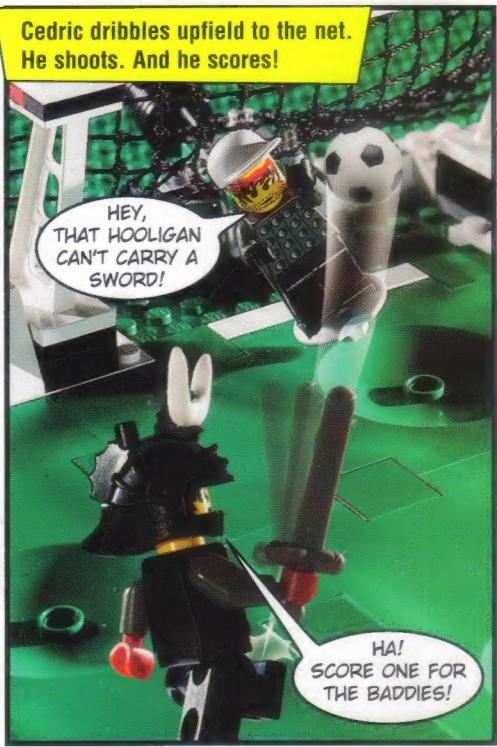
The all-villain team is practicing on the field, and, boy, do they need it!



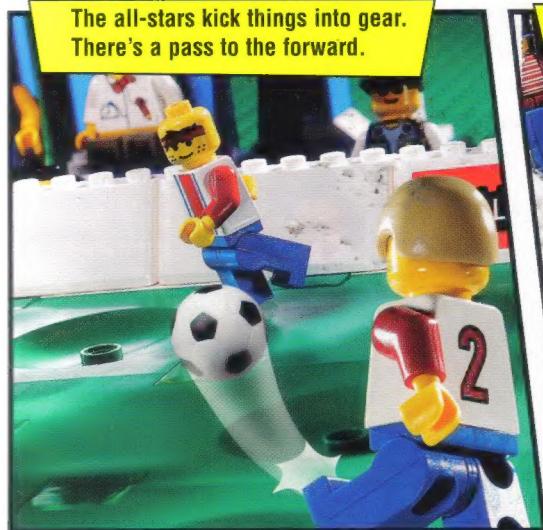
Fasten your seatbelts, fans, here we go. Boba Fett controls the kickoff. He passes to Cedric the Bull.



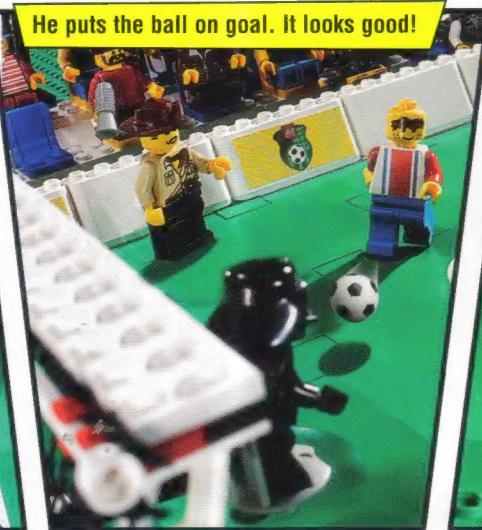
Cedric dribbles upfield to the net. He shoots. And he scores!



The all-stars kick things into gear. There's a pass to the forward.



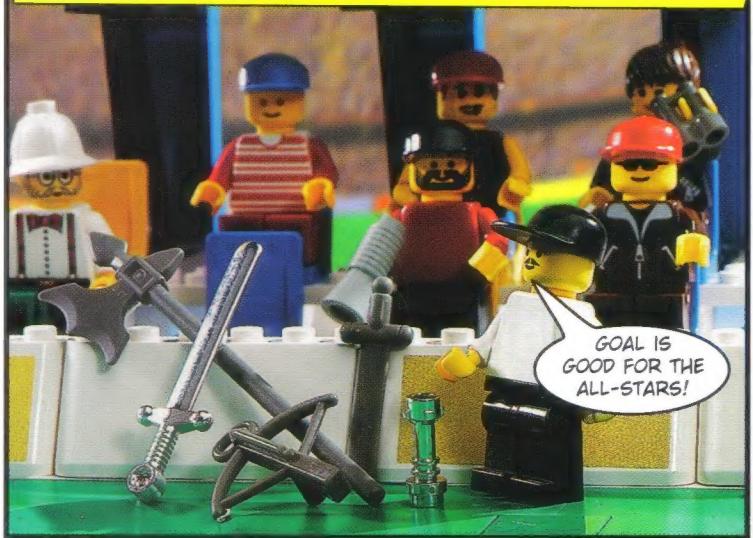
He puts the ball on goal. It looks good!



But wait! What a save by Darth Vader!



Looks like the all-stars will be awarded the goal. Now that all foreign objects have been taken away, let's see what happens in the second half.



An all-star is down! Oww, he's hurting! They're bringing on the cart.



He looks okay, but he's going in for x-rays. The fans didn't like that tackle by Sam Sinister.



It's getting ugly in the stands, folks. The all-stars bring in their super sub, the LEGO Maniac to try and break this tie.



The Maniac jukes a defender and dribbles toward the net.



What trick does Darth Vader have up his sleeve? With time running out, the Maniac shoots...



He scores! The all-stars win! The all-stars win! The all-stars win!



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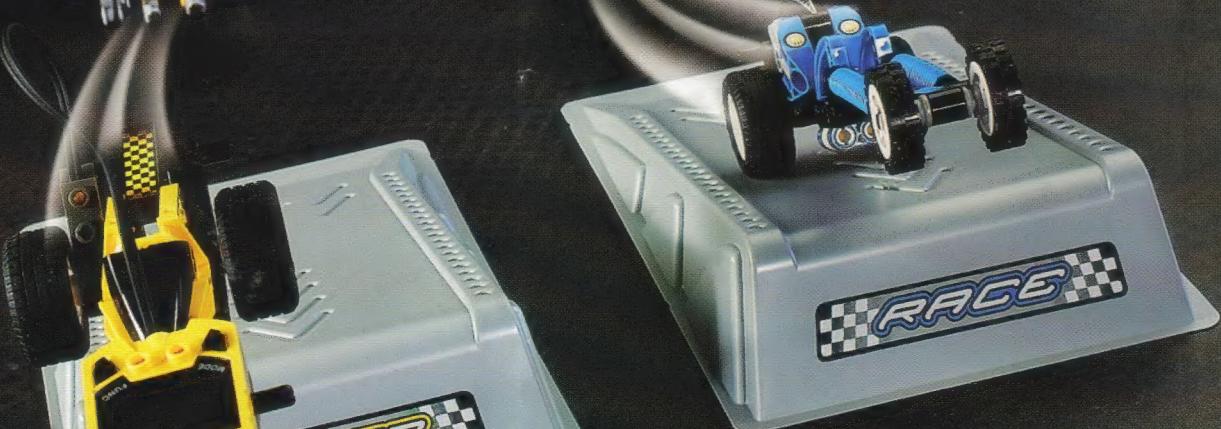


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cannon



Left to right: Chewbacca, Han Solo, Princess Leia, Luke Skywalker, R2-D2 and C-3PO are all included in the #7190 Millennium Falcon set.

7190

MILLENNIUM FALCON

Have fun flying the *Millennium Falcon*! Han Solo's famous ship may not look like much, but it is actually one of the fastest ships in the galaxy. Captain Solo has made many special modifications to the *Falcon*, and only a few pilots have the skill to fly it. The *Millennium Falcon* is faster than any Imperial ship and aids the Rebels in their battle against the Empire. The *Falcon* helps destroy two Death Stars, rescues Luke from Cloud City, and carries its crew all over the galaxy!

FUN FACTS:

- The extra-large sensor dish can alert Han Solo to Imperial ships before they have a chance to detect him.
- Chewbacca is a champion at *dejarik* but almost loses to R2-D2 in *Star Wars: A New Hope*.
- Before meeting Luke, Han smuggled spice for Jabba the Hutt.
- The hyperdrive helped the *Falcon* make its record Kessel Run in less than 12 parsecs.
- Chewbacca, Han's 200-year-old Wookiee copilot, is from the planet Kashyyyk.



Member Review - 7190 Millennium Falcon

Jeff McLain, age 10 of North Carolina

"What I really like about the *Millennium Falcon* is its size. It's really huge. And it looks nearly exactly like the *Millennium Falcon* in the movies. There are lots of fun ways to play with the model."

Sometimes I redo parts of the movies, like when the *Millennium Falcon* weaves between the asteroids.

I also make up my own adventures. They land on Tatooine, slide out the escape pods, battle Imperial troops, and then race back to the ship! It's also fun to play with because the top comes off. It's just as fun to play inside the ship as when you fly it. There are lots of tools that the droids can use to fix any damage to the ship. I love the escape pod - it's the coolest. It just slides out of the ship and flies off!"



Han Solo tries to fix the hyperdrive.



Leia wonders why this "bucket of bolts" won't jump to lightspeed.



Chewbacca plays R2-D2 in a game of *dejarik*.



Luke fires the quad laser cannon while escaping from the Death Star.

maniac madness

For Kids
By Kids

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Remember to include
your name, address,
age and name of your
model. Pictures will not
be returned, so take an
extra photo for yourself!



Charmander
Spencer Weedman,
Age 9 of Missouri

**Swimming Pool
Scene**
Aubrey Wong,
Age 7 of Oklahoma

TechnoBot
Forest Asch,
Age 8 of Ohio

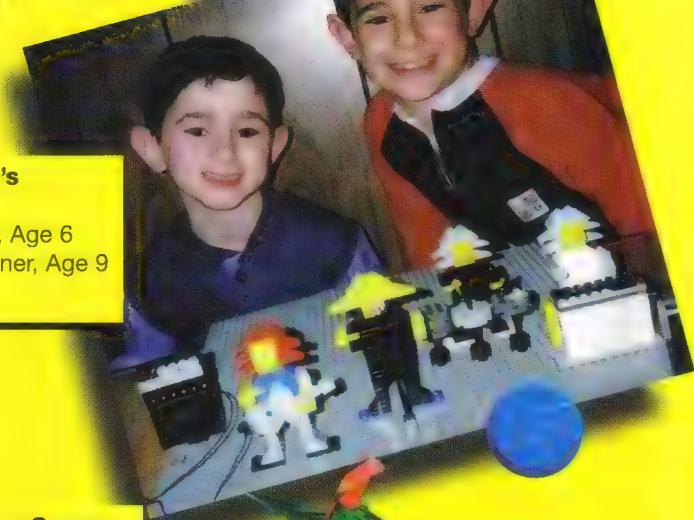
Deluxe Battle Cruiser
Erik Hanno,
Age 7 of Oregon

Statue of Liberty
Alex Ervin,
Age 6 of Ohio

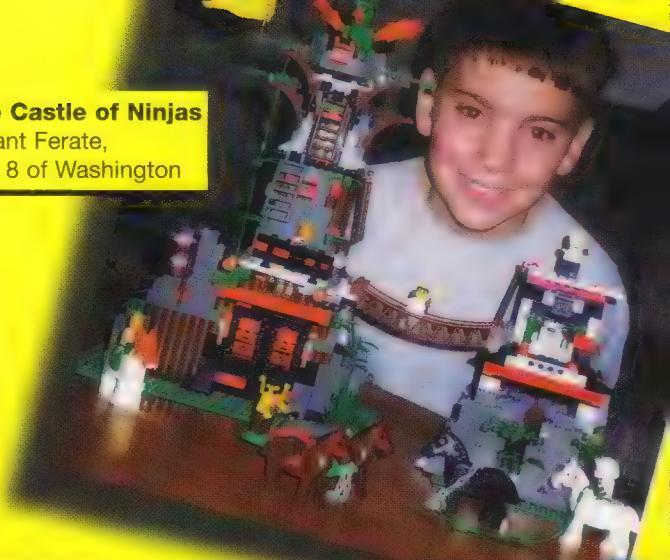
Fat Rat
Matthew H. Pearson,
Age 10 of California



The Le-go-go's Rock Band
Alex Paseltiner, Age 6
Andrew Paseltiner, Age 9
New York



The Castle of Ninjas
Bryant Ferate,
Age 8 of Washington



Amazon Queen
Nick Smith,
Age 9 of Maryland



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CONGRATULATIONS
to the Three Grand Prize Winners!

- Greg Perry of Virginia
- Keith McDaniel of Texas
- Joel Gautraud of Kentucky

Meet the LEGO Star Wars
U.S. Galactic Challenge
Semi-Finalists!

**LEGO STAR WARS
GALACTIC CHALLENGE
BUILDING CONTEST**

Christopher Webb,
age 7 of Virginia

David Michon,
age 9 of
California

**5-10 Age
Catagory**

Robert Gardner,
age 8 of
Massachusetts

**11-16 Age
Catagory**

Tyler Gerding,
age 14 of Oregon

John Lavery,
age 16 of Ohio

Philip Vernon,
age 11 of Colorado

**May the Force
Build with You**
Matt Armstrong of
California

David Michon and John Lavery won the U.S. Finals, held at F.A.O. Schwarz, in New York. This fall, they will go to LEGOLAND California to compete in the LEGO Star Wars Galactic Challenge World Championship. See page 4 for more details!



Your original model could be
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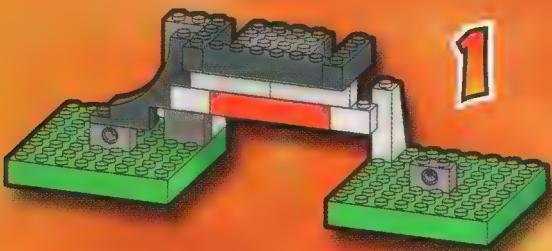
Club members featured will receive a free
LEGO set of their choice (up to \$100 value).

Colossus

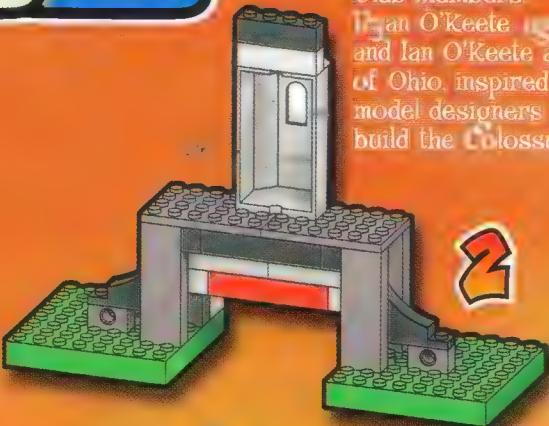


Club Members

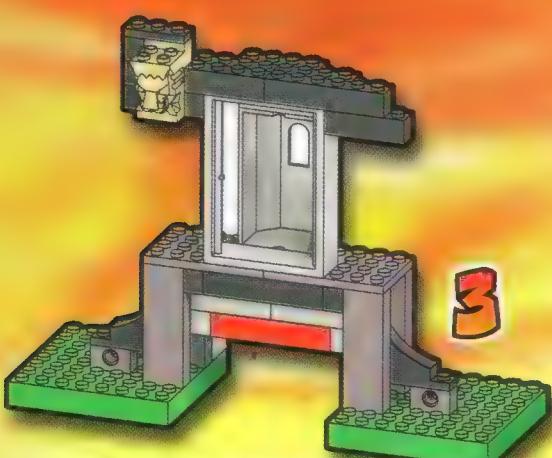
Sean O'Keefe age 10
and Ian O'Keefe age 8
of Ohio inspired our
model designers to build the Colossus.



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FINAL



Use pieces from your own LEGO collection or you can
find all the pieces you need to build the Colossus in
#6032 Catapult Crusher and #6094 Guarded Treasury.

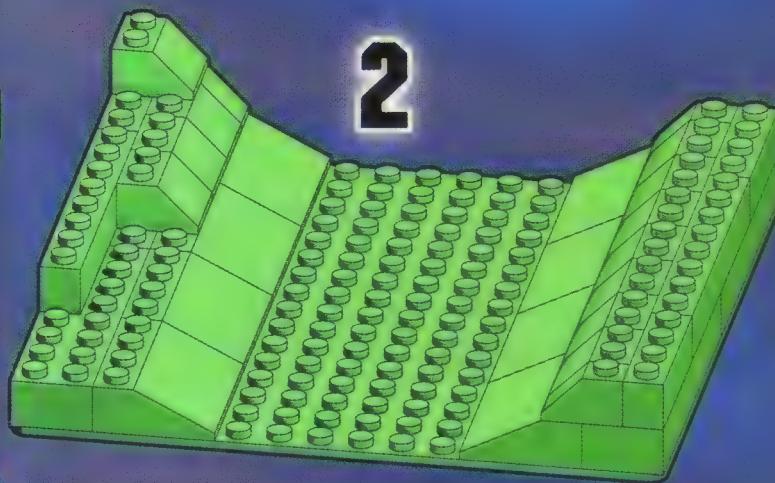
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OR THIS...

MINI-RAMP

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GO!



Club Member
Luke Venable, age 8 of
Florida inspired our
model designers to
build the Mini-Ramp
and Snowboard
Halfpipe



skate & create!

Build and combine 2 mini-ramps
to make your own spine-ramp!

Build your mini-ramp with
white bricks to make a
**SNOWBOARD
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- July 22 - Game Day: Kansas City Wizards™ at Arrowhead Stadium
- July 23 - Fun Day: Crown Center

Columbus, OH

- July 27-29 - MLS All-Star Weekend Columbus Crew Stadium

Tampa, FL

- August 2 - Game Day: Tampa Bay Mutiny™ at Raymond James Stadium
- August 5,6 - Fun Days: Museum of Science and Industry

Miami, FL

- August 11 - Sneak Preview: Toys R Us Miami
- August 12 - Game Day: Miami Fusion™ at Lockhart Stadium
- August 13 - Fun Day: Metro Zoo

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- August 18 - Sneak Preview: Toys R Us Totowa, NJ
- August 19 - Fun Day: South Street Seaport
- August 20 - Game Day: Metro Stars™ at Giants Stadium

Boston, MA

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- August 26 - Game Day: New England Revolutions™ at Foxboro Stadium
- August 27 - Fun Day: Faneuil Hall

Washington, DC

- September 1 - Sneak Preview: Toys R Us Tyson's Corner, VA
- September 2 - Fun Day: visit www.lego.com/soccer for location
- September 3 - Game Day: D.C. United™ at RFK Memorial Stadium

Columbus, OH

- September 8 - Sneak Preview: Toys R Us Dublin
- September 9 - Game Day: Columbus Crew™ at Columbus Crew Stadium
- September 10 - Fun Day: visit www.lego.com/soccer for location

Washington, DC

- October 13-15 - MLS Cup Weekend RFK Memorial Stadium
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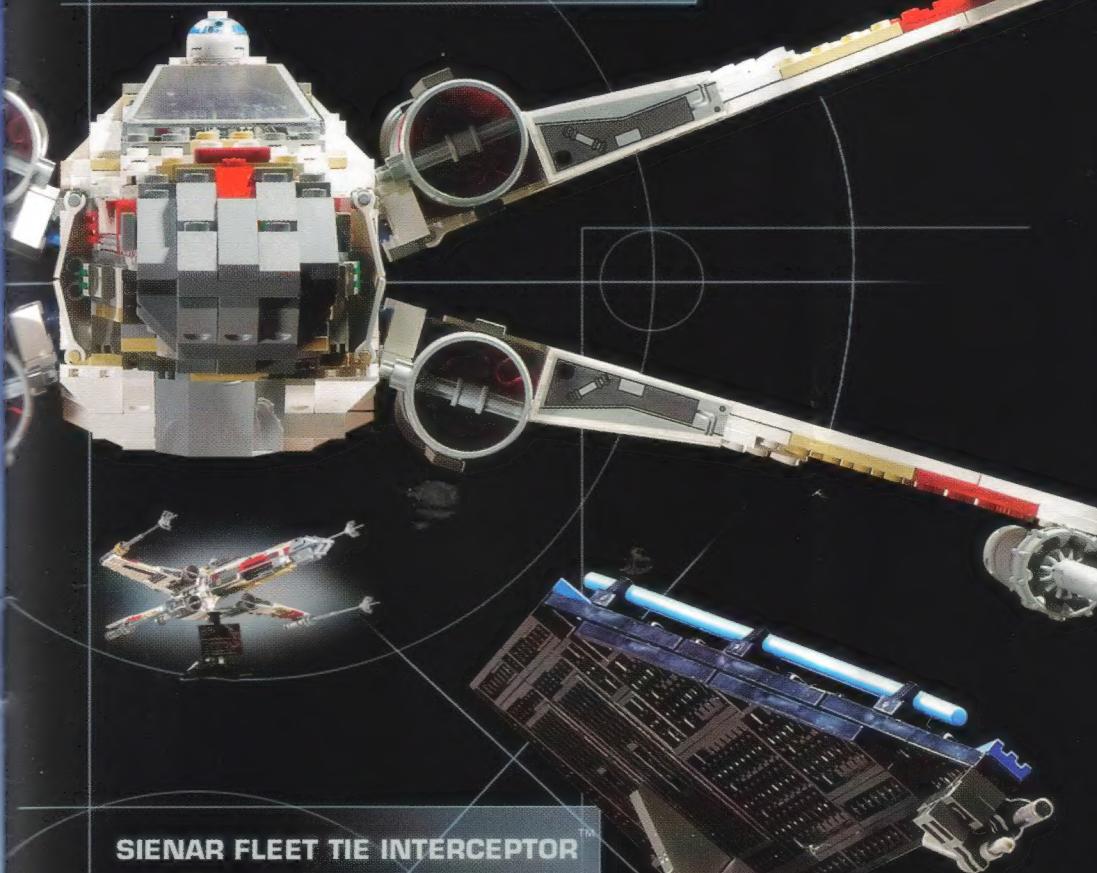
All 14 semi-finalists will receive an awesome prize pack including a trophy made entirely out of LEGO bricks and all 5 new LEGO Soccer sets!

From the 14 semi-finalists, 4 finalists will then be chosen to go to the MLS Cup taking place in Washington, DC. There they will compete in the LEGO Championship on October 15, 2000 for the Grand Prize!

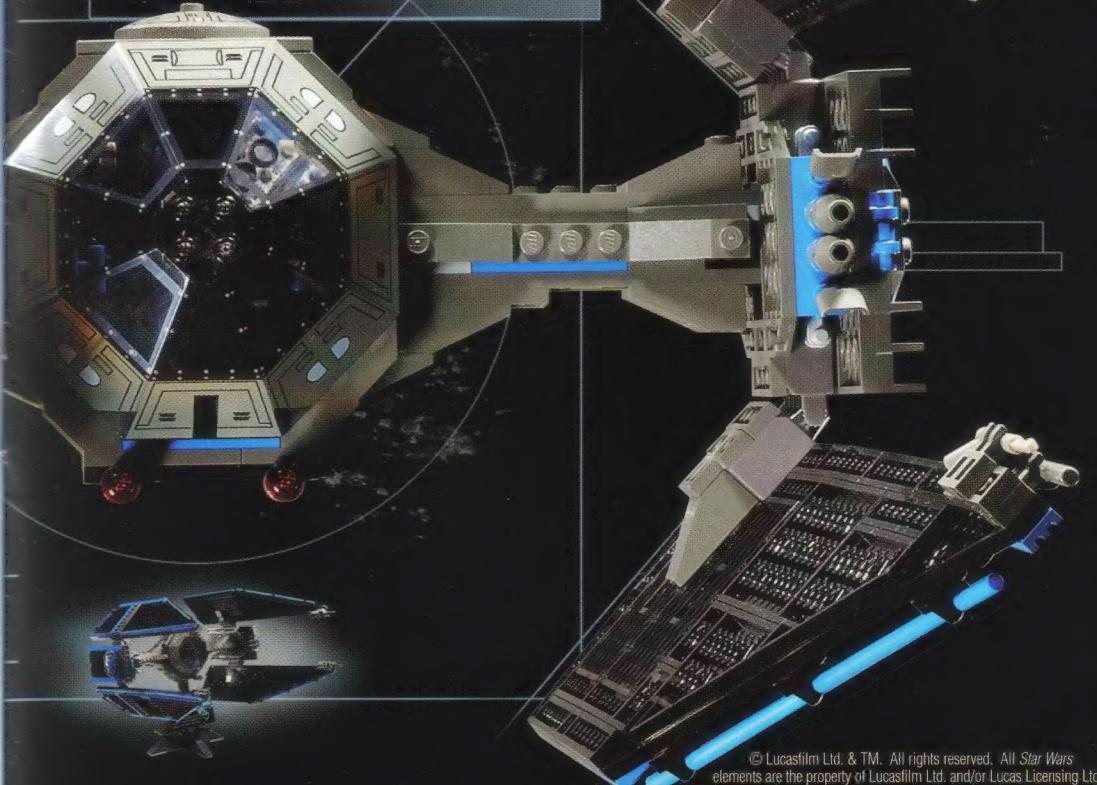
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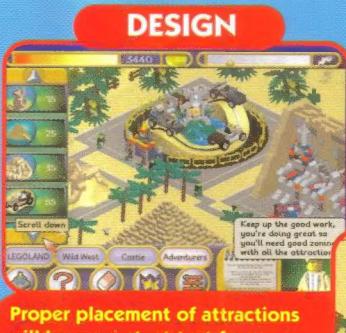


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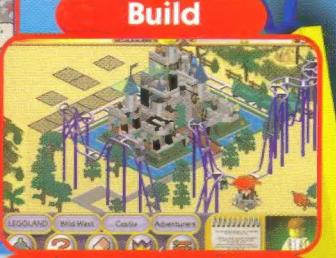


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